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## USE OF PLASTIC CONTAINERS FOR PACKAGING WINE

Proprietors of bonded wine cellars,  
taxpaid wine bottling houses,  
importers, and others concerned

The purpose of this circular is to inform you that we have discontinued the monitoring program for plastic wine containers as announced in Industry Circular 72-36. Therefore, proprietors will no longer be requested to submit samples of wine packaged in plastic containers to the Bureau for analysis prior to the use of such containers for the packaging of wine. You are reminded, however, that under the Food Additives Amendment to the Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act, the plastic materials must be approved for wine packaging by the Food and Drug Administration.

The Bureau may, of course, continue to periodically obtain samples of wine packaged in plastic containers from the commercial market in order to ensure that the products are designated and labeled in conformity with the Federal Alcohol Administration Act.

Inquiries concerning this circular should refer to its number and be addressed to the Assistant Director, Regulatory Enforcement, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20226.

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